

## **2026 Special Olympics New Mexico Golf Classic Recap**

On behalf of the 651 Special Olympics New Mexico athletes and Unified partners who participated in our 2026 Special Olympics New Mexico State Golf Competition at Santa Ana Golf Course, the SONM Golf Classic Committee would like to thank you personally for your support and participation in our tournament.

The weather was perfect, and the company was even better! Our hope is that you enjoyed your time with us as much as we did with all of you!

We hope you know and understand how much your support means to our athletes and families. The chance to be on a team, feel accepted for who they are and simply have something in life to look forward to makes all the difference in the world to them. Our athletes need us more than ever, and your participation is helping us fill the gap with moments of joy and celebration that no one else can provide.

Because you played in our Golf Classic, we are proud to report that we raised a net total of **\$64,000**, which is a reason for celebration. We hope you will join us again next year!

**2027 Tentative Save the Date: Monday, September 20, 2027 - More details to follow**

### **Congratulations to this year's Golf Classic Winners:**

#### **Tamaya/Cheena Course Winners**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Team With, with a score of 58 - Danoff Law Firm (Ryan Danoff, Brett Danoff, Nick Knee & Rob Portnoy)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: New Mexico True with a score of 60 - (Howie Morales, Justin Reese, Tony Garcia & Randy Villa)
- Closest to the Pin Winners: Men: Abe Assaad, and Women: Jazmine Sandoval

#### **Cheena/Star Course Winners**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Molly L. Katona, LLC, with a score of 59 - (Ryan Katona, Ron Roeke, Jason Barnes & Jon Jennings)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Team New Mexico, with a score of 61 - (SONM Athlete Shawn Palmer, Scott Hardy, Joe Diz & Darren Palmer)
- Closest to the Pin Winners: Men: Travis Lopez, and Women: No Declared Winner

#### **Star/Tamaya Course Winners (Scorecard Playoff)**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Legacy Church with a score of 61 - Legacy Church
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Swire Coca-Cola with a score of 61 - (Cleve Kidder, Cesar Grado, Jason Jojola & Troy Sanchez)
- Closest to the Pin Winners: Men: Jason Jojola, and Women: Kathleen Cantwell

#### **Most Honest Award**

- Team Rio Rancho Rockets, Luis Correra Sr., Scot Morin, Ralph Fevig & Joe Graney